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Draft report

Addendum

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PROPOSED REVISIONS TO THE MEDIUM-TERM PLAN FOR THE PERIOD 1992-1997

Programme 29. Crime prevention and criminal justice

1. At its 12th meeting, on 18 May, the Committee considered revisions to programme 29 (Crime prevention and criminal justice) of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997 (A/47/6 (Prog. 29)).

Discussion

2. A number of delegations expressed the view that the revisions reflected the priorities and programmes recommended by the General Assembly. A number of delegations disagreed.

3. One delegation questioned the need for the creation of a new subprogramme on operational activities, planning and coordination. Other delegations supported the creation of the new subprogramme.

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4. A number of delegations recommended the following changes:

(a) In paragraph 29.5, eleventh line, the words "and promoting the fundamental principles of good government" should be deleted;

(b) In paragraph 29.14, the reference to Eighth United Nations Congress resolutions 4 and 5 should be deleted;

(c) In paragraph 29.16 (e), third line, the words "relevant to the programme" should be replaced by the words "when mandated by the Commission on Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice";

(d) In paragraph 29.22 (b), the words "sound public administration and good governance" should be deleted;

(e) In paragraph 29.22 (c), the words "crimes against the cultural patrimony" should be deleted;

(f) In paragraph 29.23, last sentence, the words "Promotion and implementation" should be replaced by the words "Evaluation by the Commission".

Conclusions and recommendations

5. The Committee recommended the approval of the revisions to programme 29 of the medium-term plan for the period 1992-1997, with the following modifications:

(a) In paragraph 29.4, eleventh line, the words "in close cooperation with other relevant entities, including regional institutes" should be added after the words "at Vienna";

(b) In paragraph 29.5, the following text should be inserted at the end of the paragraph: "In dealing with the transnational criminality issue, it is noted that the lowering of the world crime rate is related to, among other factors, the improvement of the social conditions of the population. The developed countries and the developing countries are experiencing difficult situations in this respect. Nevertheless, the specific problems encountered by the developing countries justify priority being given to dealing with the situation confronting those countries";

(c) In paragraph 29.12, penultimate line, the words "and as determined by" should be inserted after the words "under the guidance of"; and the words "as appropriate" should be added at the end of the paragraph;

(d) In paragraph 29.22 (c), second line, the word "national" should be inserted before the word "services";

(e) In paragraph 29.22 (d), first line, the words "Member States" should be inserted after the words "To help";

(f) In paragraph 29.32, fourth line, the words "by the Commission" should be inserted after the word "identified";

(g) In paragraph 29.38, fifth line, the word "The" should be replaced by the word "Some", and the words "requiring standard-setting" should be deleted; at the end of the paragraph the following sentence should be added: "The Commission shall identify those new areas requiring standard-setting".